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Continued Examination (RCE)
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Application Number	09/574,203
Filing Date	May 19, 2000
First Named Inventor	Christian GOERIGK
Art Unit	1764
Examiner Name	H. TRIEN
Attorney Docket Number	038738.48876US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- ii ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i ☐ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☒ Other: Preliminary Amendment

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **05-1323**
- i ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) (\$770.00)
- ii ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$110.00)
- iii ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ C&M Check No. 271038 in the amount of \$ **880.00** enclosed
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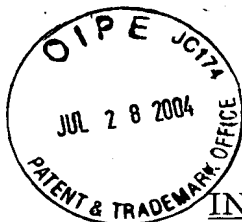
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: CHRISTIAN GOERIGK et al.
Serial No.: 09/574,203 Group Art Unit: 1764
Filed: MAY 19, 2000 Examiner: TRAN, HIEN THI
Title: EXHAUST-GAS CLEANING SYSTEM WITH NITROGEN
OXIDE REDUCTION AND WITH THE ADDITION OF
REDUCING AGENT

Customer No. 23911

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is presented in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith. Please enter the following amendments to the claims.

A petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted herein, to extend the response due date for following issuance of the April 2, 2004 Final Office Action to August 2, 2004.

A Petition for Extension of Time begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Petition for Extension of Time

It is respectfully requested that this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response (calculated as one month). A check in the amount of \$110.00 for the petition fee is enclosed. The Office is authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to the Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring LLP, Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 095309/48876US).